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SUBJECT: VISIT BY COMMISSIONER GUNDELACH TO WASHINGTON (JUNE
24-26)

REF: A. EC BRUSSELS 4881 B. EC BRUSSELS 4584

1. EC COMMISSIONER GUNDELACH HAS MADE CLEAR TO US THAT HIS JUNE VISIT TO THE US IS PRIMARILY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTATIONS WITH THE USG; THE NON-OFFICIAL PORTION IS SECONDARY. HE IS CONCERNED THAT TOO MANY ORGANIZATIONS ARE WORKING ON HIS PROGRAM. GUNDELACH HAD HEARD INDIRECTLY FROM FORMER AMBASSADOR SCHAETZEL THAT A LUNCH HAD BEEN ARRANGED ON JUNE 24 FOR THE MID-ATLANTIC CLUB AS A FOLLOW-UP TO AN ADDRESS WHICH IS TO BE GIVEN BEFORE THAT CLUB ON JUNE 11 BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN. HE HAS ALSO HEARD THAT AMBASSADOR KRAG IS ARRANGING A DINNER ON THE EVENING OF JUNE 24 AND THAT SOMEONE IS ARRANGING A LUNCHEON ON JUNE 25 WITH SOME CONGRESSMEN. GUNDELACH SAYS HE CONSIDERS THE LUNCHEON BEFORE THE MID-ATLANTIC CLUB AS "NOT A BAD IDEA," BUT HE WANTS ALL ARRANGEMENTS TO BE COORDINATED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT. HE HAS INFORMED LENG OF THE EC COMMISSION DELEGATION OFFICE THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS IN CHARGE.

2. GUNDELACH WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON
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UNTIL THE EARLY MORNING OF JUNE 24. HE WILL REMAIN

IN WAHSINGTON UNTIL THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 26 WHEN HE WILL TRAVEL TO NEW YORK FOR TALKS WITH SEVERAL UNOFFICIAL GROUPS. (HE MAY SPEND THE WEEKEND IN MINNESOTA.) HE WOULD THUS BE FREE FOR OFFICIAL MEETINGS ALL DAY JUNE 24, ALL DAY THE 25TH AND THROUGH LUNCH ON JUNE 26. HE ASKS THAT HIS APPOINTMENTS WITH WASHINGTON OFFICIALS BE ARRANGED AS SMALL MEETINGS. HE WILL HAVE WITH HIM AT MOST ONE OR TWO PEOPLE, AND HE HOPES TO AVOID LARGE SESSIONS.

3. COMMISSIONER GUNDELACH GAVE US THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST OF TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- (1) MTN MATTERS LEFT OVER FROM THE DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR DENT (REFTEL B):
 - (A) HOW TO HANDLE THE JULY TNC;
 - (B) HOW TO ESTABLISH PRIORITIES IN THE NEGOTIATIONS;
 - (C) NTB'S, PARTICULARLY STANDARDS, THE STANDARDS CODE, ETC.;
 - (D) ANY OTHER SUBJECT RELATED TO THE MTNS OF INTEREST TO WASHINGTON.
 - (2) US/EC RELATIONS, PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT OF THE CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION;
 - (3) RAW MATERIALS ISSUES;
 - (4) GATT TREATMENT OF THE LOME CONVENTION (IF THIS SHOULD STILL BE AN ISSUE).
- GREENWALD

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